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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

This Amendment is responsive to the Final Office Action dated July 8, 2010. This Amendment is being filed in conjunction with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), and includes the following sections:

Amendments to the Claims beginning on page 2; and

Remarks, beginning on page 6.

Fees in the amount of \$1300.00 (\$490.00 for a Two Month Extension and \$ 810.00 for an RCE) are being paid via credit card. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-0029 and notify us of the same.

Pursuant to C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicants hereby request a two-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated July 8, 2010. If the extension period requested herein is incorrect, Applicants request an extension for the necessary period of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136.